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DETAILED ACTION

1. This Office Action is responsive to communication filed on 01/15/2009.

Response to Amendment

2. The proposed amendments to claims will not be entered because they would require further search and/or consideration. For example, claims 1 now recites "wherein the second parental grade code is recorded in a navigation area of a disc from which the video signal is received and wherein viewing of the entire program is blocked based on detection of the second parental code in the navigation area of the disk ", claim 17 now recites "configured to be updated and recorded in the second memory area with another user-selected code by a command; and a third memory area configured to store status information indicating the renewal of the parental code recorded in the second memory area", Also claim 25 now recites "configured to be overwritten updated and recorded in the second memory area with another user-selected code by a command; and a third memory area configured to store status information indicating the renewal of the parental code recorded in the second memory area". The previous underlined arrangements were not previously defined in claims 1, 17 or 25, thus making the amended claims more specific and necessitating further search/or consideration. Independent claims 1, 17 and 25 thus would require further search and/or consideration.

Conclusion

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Marsha Banks- Harold can be reached on (571)272-7905. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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